

TOWN OF UNION MONTHLY BOARD MEETING

Minutes of Thursday, February 5, 2009

The Town of Union monthly board meeting was held on Thursday, February 5, 2009 at the Eager Free Public Library, 39 W. Main Street, Evansville, WI. Town Supervisors George Franklin and Don Krajeck, Treasurer Sharon Franklin, Clerk Regina Ylvisaker, and Constable Kim Gruebling were in attendance. Town Chairman Kendall Schneider was not in attendance.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by George Franklin. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Clerk's minutes (January 8, 2009).

Motion to accept the minutes of the January 8, 2009 Town Board meeting made by Don Krajeck. Second by George Franklin. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Treasurer's Report

Sharon Franklin presented the treasurer's report, balances as of January 31, 2009.

Local Government Investment Pool General Fund	\$ 0.00
Park and Recreation Fund	\$ 12,349.49
UB&T Money Market Sweep Account	\$ 598,081.39
Of Which \$0 is Contingency Fund,	
And \$5,000 is Re-Valuation Fund	
UB&T Checking Account	\$ 10,000.00
Leedlemill Bridge Certificate of Deposit	\$ 17,543.72
Wayne Disch Memorial Park Fund	\$ 2,015.01
Morning Ridge Stub Road Certificate of Deposit	\$ 19,113.64
Escrow Accounts:	
Robert Janes/Bakers Crossing	\$ 813.77

Constable's Report

Constable Kim Gruebling reported receiving two calls; no action was needed on either call.

Building Inspector's Report

Building Inspector Bob Fahey was not in attendance; Clerk Ylvisaker reported that 2 permits were issued but only one will be reported at this time, as payment for the second has not yet been received. Permit # 09-1-B was issued to Scott Mc Elroy for a pole barn addition to an existing smaller pole shed. Cost of the building will be \$42,000.00, permit fee is \$175.00, and Building Inspector fee is \$165.00

Board Action: Citizen Request to Change Name of "Dunphy Road" to "George Lane"

George Franklin reported that the request has changed and is now a request to change the name to "Paul George Lane." Jeanie Dunphy-Schoenenberger was in attendance representing the Dunphy family; she stated that the family hopes that the road name will remain "Dunphy." Her father Lawrence Dunphy owned the property on the road for over 40 years, and her grandparents owned it prior to that, although it is now owned by the Georges. She suggested naming a new road being constructed in the town after George instead of changing the name of an existing road. She reported that she did not know anything about the request to change the name and only read about it in the paper yesterday. Additionally, she raised concerns about the cost and inconvenience to residents living on the road related to changing the road name, addresses, etc. which had perhaps not been considered by the Town.

Franklin stated that there is another "George Road" in the Town of Union, which is why the original request was changed to "Paul George Lane" to help avoid any possible confusion. He feels that tabling the issue until the full Board is in attendance is an appropriate resolution at this time; Don Krajeck agrees.

Motion to table the request until the March Town Board meeting made by George Franklin. Second by Don Krajeck. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Update on Resolution To Forego A Treasurer's Bond

Clerk Ylvisaker reported that Treasurer Franklin is covered under the current bond, which is up for renewal in April 2009. Ylvisaker is still waiting for the bond document from the insurance agent, and will provide a copy to the Board once it is received.

A deputy from the Rock County Sheriff's Department arrived at 7:10 to check in on any citizen complaints or issues within the Town that the Sheriff's Department could assist with. No concerns were reported.

Ylvisaker suggested including a statement in the Board meeting notices that Sheriff's Department representatives may be in attendance at Board meetings, and suggesting that citizens contact a Board member with concerns they would like the Department to address at a Board meeting.

Board Action: Review and Approval of Humane Society Contract

Franklin stated that he is unhappy with several items within the contract; the contract was going to be discussed at the last Rock County WTA meeting but the meeting was cancelled. Krajeck stated that he spoke to an individual at the Humane Society who clarified that the \$15 per call fee will be assessed even if the owner picks up the animal and pays the fees. Gruebling feels this is not a large cost; the town could not afford to maintain its own facility for those prices. Franklin thinks the contract will be on the WTA meeting agenda this month and would like to hold off on making a decision until further discussion is held. Motion to table the approval of the Rock County Humane Society Contract pending info from the Rock County WTA made by Don Krajeck. Second by George Franklin. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Recycling Center Update

Jerry Krueger reported that he has been reviewing summer projects with Don. Doors need replacing, need animal control items. New sprayer needed for weed control; a higher quality one would cost \$40. Once the frost is gone, will need to take care of water pockets on landing. Sand will need to be dealt with over the summer, salt mixed in with it to avoid freezing next year. Ed Levin can get bunker blocks for the sand at a cost of about 12 for \$200, once the Town tells him how many they want.

Public Comment

Krajeck reported that he, Gruebling, Doug Zweizig, Alvin Francis and Kendall Schneider attended a workshop about protecting farmland. He believes it is something that the Plan Commission and Board should look at to control growth and protect farmland. He outlined the process, which is voluntary on the part of the landowner.

Pay Bills

There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion to adjourn was made by George Franklin. Second by Don Krajeck. Meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

*Respectfully submitted by:
Regina Ylvisaker, Clerk*

Note: minutes are considered draft until reviewed and approved by the Town Board at a properly noticed meeting.